CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES ON NATIONAL HIGHWAY No. 4

348.—SRI B.B. SAYANAK (Belgaum).—

Will the Minister for Public Works and Electricity be pleased to state.—

(*a*) Whether a number of bridges are under construction on National Highway No. 4 in the State.

(*b*) If so, the number of bridges that are under construction.

(*c*) the estimated cost of construction of these bridges.

(*d*) when the work of construction of these bridges was started and when it will be completed.

(*e*) whether the expenditure on National Highway No. 4 is borne by the State Government or by the Central Government.

(*f*) the reasons for taking up the construction work of there bridges this year.

SRI H.M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public works).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 44.

(*c*) Rs. 72.78 lakhs.

(*d*) The works were started between March, 1971 and March, 1972.

37 works will be completed by August 1972.

6 works by January 1973, and one work by January 1974.

(*e*) Central Government.

(*f*) The works have been taken up as per the Schedule fixed in consultation with Government of India for the implementation of the National Highways programme in the State.

SRI B.B. SAYANAK.—Before putting the supplementaries I want to ask whether the estimated cost given (c) is correct.

† SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The hon. member will kindly see that some space is left between the figures 72 and 78. Full stop mark (.) is missing.

SRI B. B. SAYANAK.—May I know how many contractors are employed to complete the construction of these 44 bridges?

SRI H. M. CHANNNABASAPPA.—The number of contracors may not be more than 44. I cannot straightaway say how many contractors have been working.

SRI B B. SAYANAK.—May I know how much amount is paid for diversion work and for construction of bridges?

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—They are all matters which amount to break up in respect of each case. There are 44 works going on and it is not possible for me to give break up for each work. If the hon. member is particular, I will give details if he comes to my chamber.

SRI D. B. KALMANKAR.—May I know whether the construction of these works is given to only one contractor or there are more than one contractor.

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—There is no question of giving all these works to one contractor. Tenders will be called for each work and contractors fixed on the basis of tender.

SRI B. B. SAYANAK.—What are the conditions stipulated for the contractors to complete these bridges?

SRI H. M. CAHNNABASAPPA.—They are incorporated in the tender notifiction.

SRI B. B. SAYANAK.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that these works must be completed before monsoon commences as otherwise there will be difficulty for the traffic?

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Due care will be taken to see that appropriate target date is fixed in respct of each work.

MADAM SPEAKER.—Question no. 415 is held over.

ALLOWANCES AND OTHER FACILITIES TO POLICE PERSONNEL

420. SRI K. R. SRINIVASULU NAYADU (Shanthinagar).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether uniform allowances are given to the Sub-Inspectors and Reserve Police Inspectors ; if not the reasons therefor and to whom these allowances are given;

(*b*) whether it is not a fact that conveyance allowances are given to C. Is. and Sub-Inspectors of Civil Police whereas R. P.Is. (and K. S. Is. are not given; if so, the reason for the same :

(*c*) whether the Police personnel working on Sundays and Holidays are getting remuneration ; if not, the reason for the same ;